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the report will be presented at the next ARGO meeting scheduled for 22 April 1970.

5. It was requested that the NPIC furnish some briefing boards to be employed as representative samples of the type of illustration which the Disaster Task Group will provide for Presidential briefing purposes. This is being accomplished.

6. The next Task Group meeting will be on 21 April 1970 at the USGS, Reston, with committee meetings being scheduled on an ad hoc basis.

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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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1. The sixth meeting of the National Disaster Support Task Group began at 0930 hours on 7 April 1970 at the USGS TK Facility, Reston, Virginia.

2. The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved. It was agreed that the interagency agreement for disaster support should be presented to the agencies through ARGO channels and sign-off achieved via the same route.

3. We next divided into our respective groups for committee action. I worked with [redacted] USA TOPOCOM on the PI Resources Committee. Our concern is with the interpretation phase of the support group and interrelates with all of the other committees. Post disaster coverage will be acquired through the use of the U-2/U-2R reconnaissance platform utilizing either the A-2, B, IRIS II or 112-B camera system. The A-2 units are presently in moth balls and although the B camera systems are being maintained in a "flight ready" condition, their employment would result in some delay. Thus, for immediate response, either the IRIS II or the 112-B system would be utilized. Both are panoramic systems and therefore met with some disfavor from USGS and TOPOCOM because of the mosaicing problem. It was pointed out at a subsequent discussion that the interpretation of the disaster situation was of prime concern and that metric quality and ease of mosaic production was not extremely vital. The problem was really to convince old line mappers that metric fidelity is not required for interpretation and damage assessment of disaster situations. When the system choice is available, the IRIS II is preferred over the 112-B because of its larger scale and format size. Other aspects of interpretation such as EEI's, light tables/viewing equipment, number of duplicate positives required, availability of the original negative and mode of presentation to be employed for interpretation reporting were discussed.

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4. Following lunch, the group reconvened and [redacted] stated that he wished the final report of the Disaster Support Task Group be ready for presentation in about two weeks. This requires that the individual committee drafts must be ready in about a week in order that they may be composited to form the final report. It is intended that

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